IV.—SITTING OF THE HOUSE.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Sir, the Business Advisory Committee met this morning and reached some tentative decisions with regard to the sittings of the House. May I know from the Hon. Leader of the House what those decisions are.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The Business Advisory Committee has decided that three days should be allotted for the discussion of the States Reorganization Commission's Report. If necessary there will be a night sitting also, and that will be decided to-morrow. If, after seeing the trend of discussion to-morrow, it is found that more time is required for discussing the Report, we will sit to-morrow night between 9 and 12 o'clock. Various Bills of which notice has been given will be taken up on the 24th. On the 25th, we will discuss the supplementary grants and we have allotted two hours for that purpose. On the 26th, we will discuss the Appropriation Bill in connection with the supplementary grants and we have allotted half an hour or one hour for it. After that, the rest of that day will be allotted for non-official business. We hope to rise on the 26th itself. But if there is any business pending on that date, we will have to sit on the 29th. A decision as to whether there will be a sitting on the 29th or not will be taken on the 25th.

The hours of sitting from to-morrow will be between 9 a.m. and 1-30 p.m. The hour of commencement has been changed from 8-30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and this half an hour has been given as a winter allowance.

V.—REPORT OF THE STATES REORGANIZATION COMMISSION, 1955.

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I beg to move—

"That the Report of the States Reorganization Commission be taken into consideration."

The report of the Commission has been before the public for some time past and there has been a good deal of discussion in the Press and on the platform. Various political organizations also have discussed the subject. Apart from discussion, there has been a certain amount of agitation also in the various parts of the country with regard to the various recommendations made by the States Reorganization Commission. In considering the Commission's report, we have to bear in mind that this is a subject in which it will not be possible to secure unanimity on every point coming up for consideration. It is possible to have a variety of opinions about the various topics considered by the Commission. Even with regard to the necessity for, and the basis of, reorganization, there is a great deal of difference of opinion. The majority opinion and what arrangements will be in the best interests of the country will have to be borne in mind in approaching this very complicated subject.